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SCOPE FOR COSMETOLOGIST EXAMINATION

THE LICENSE EXAMINATION

The examination consists of ~~two~~ parts, a written part and practical part.

To pass the examination, you must achieve all of the following:

1. A total score of at least 300 points (75% out of a possible 400 points)
2. A score of at least 225 on the practical part
3. A score of at least 70 on the written part

NOTE: It is possible to achieve the minimum required score on both the practical part and the written part and **not** pass the examination. Applicants who achieve between 70-74 points on the written part must achieve a score greater than 225 on the practical part which, when added to the written score, makes the total score at least 300 points.

If you pass you will be issued a license immediately.

If you fail you will be given a form showing the scores in each category, the areas of failure, and an application form for re-examination with instructions.

SCOPE OF THE WRITTEN PART

100 POINTS

The written part consists of 100 multiple-choice questions in the following areas:

1. General Subjects: (a) Barbering and Cosmetology Act, (b) Rules and Regulations, (c) Health and Safety/Hazardous substances (d) sanitation and disinfection, (e) safety procedures, (f) client consultation and analysis, (g) general chemistry, (h) product knowledge/terms.
2. Anatomy and Physiology.
3. Electricity.
4. Skin Care: (a) manual, electrical and chemical facials, (b) makeup, (c) hair removal.
5. Nail Care: (a) manicure and pedicure, (b) artificial nails (tips, wraps, acrylics, etc.).
6. Hair Care and Design: (a) hairdressing, (b) haircutting, (c) shampooing, (d) thermal work.
7. Chemical Hair Care: (a) bleaching, (b) tinting, (c) permanent waving, (d) chemical straightening.

NOTE: Due to the ongoing evaluation of our examination questions, some examinations may contain 115 items, however, only 100 of the items will be used to compute a passing grade towards licensure.

SCOPE OF THE PRACTICAL PART

300 POINTS

The examiner will observe and grade your ability to: give a patron a plain facial, apply makeup, arch eyebrows, wrap and saturate hair for a cold wave, straighten hair chemically and thermally, tint and bleach hair, give scalp manipulation, brush hair scientifically, cut and shape hair, construct wet curls, fingerwave hair, set and style hair and comb out the finished coiffure, thermally style the hair using a hand dryer and curling iron, manicure nails, apply acrylic nails, tips and wraps. You will be allowed 40 minutes for drying your patron's (model's) hair.

For each operation, the examiner will be grading such things as (1) demonstration of proper disinfection and sanitation techniques, client protection and safety; (2) set-up of necessary equipment, materials, and supplies; (3) preparation of model and (4) ability to perform basic skills. The cleanliness of your hair, hands, nails, and attire will also be graded.

EXAMINATION INSTRUCTIONS AND EQUIPMENT LIST

1. Each applicant must appear for the practical part of the examination dressed in a uniform with no marks of identification. Female applicants shall wear white dress-type uniforms or white uniform jackets with slacks or skirts of any color. Male applicants shall wear white uniform jackets with slacks of any color. (All other clothing and wearing apparel must be appropriate and meet requirements of sanitation and safety.)
2. Upon entering the examination facility, all applicants, models, interpreters, and interpreter/models MUST present a **VALID, CURRENT** government-issued photographic identification card such as:
 - (a) A photographic Driver's License (any state), Passport, photographic Alien Registration, or California Photographic I.D. card available from the Department of Motor Vehicles. All photographs must be recognizable as the person to whom the identification card was issued. The name on the application must match the photographic I.D. card.
 - (b) The applicant must present an admission letter for admission to the examination site.
 - (c) The interpreter and/or interpreter model must present a pre-authorized Form H, in addition to appropriate photographic identification as listed above.

CAUTION

**APPLICANTS NOT COMPLYING WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS AND
 REQUIREMENTS LISTED COULD BE DENIED ADMISSION TO THE EXAMINATION
 (OVER)**

3. It is the applicant's responsibility to appear at the practical part of the examination with a person at least 15 years of age **who will submit to modeling** for all operations of the exam listed in paragraph #5 below.
 - Models must be free of infection, inflammation, eruptions, or abrasions upon skin surface of the face, neck, and shoulders.
 - **MODELS MUST NOT BE WEARING ARTIFICIAL EYELASHES OR FALSE FINGERNAILS.**
 - Models may only serve once during any 30-day period.
4. The following may **not** be used as models in the cosmetology exam (Section 931 of the Board's Rules and Regulations):
 - a person less than 15 years of age
 - a current or former student of a barbering, cosmetology or electrology school
 - a school owner or employee
 - an operator or instructor in barbering or cosmetology or any of its branches who is licensed by this or any other state
 - a person who has been, or is currently enrolled in an apprentice program for barbering, cosmetology or electrology
 - It is strongly suggested that pregnant women not be used as models.
5. It is the responsibility of the applicant to appear at the examination site with a sufficient quantity of supplies, the required instruments (in proper working order and sanitary condition), and model protection drapings for the following operations:

Facials (plain, cleansing scrub, or dermal light)	Application of Make up Haircutting	Tinting and Bleaching Scalp Treatment	Thermal Straightening (with pressing comb)	Blow drying with Curling Iron
Eyebrow Arching (manual and hot wax)	Soft Permanent Waving On Overly Curly Hair	Wet Hairstyling	Comb Out	Application of Acrylic Nails, Artificial Nail Wraps, and Nail Tips
	Permanent Waving Chemical Straightening	Thermal Curling (with marcel iron)	Manicuring Pedicuring	

6. Materials will be provided by the exam facility for: simulating tinting, bleaching, chemical waving and straightening.

7. The following minimum supplies and equipment are required for the practical part of the examination:

(The check boxes are provided for the applicant's convenience when assembling these items.)

<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Container for Disinfecting Implements	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Overly Curly Hair Piece or Non-Flammable Doll Head
<input type="checkbox"/> 8-oz.	Disinfectant Solution that Meets Requirements of Program Regulation	<input type="checkbox"/> 6	T-pins (for holding hair piece on head form)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Container for Preparation of Wet Sanitizer	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Pressing Comb (Stove Heated, Non-Electric)
<input type="checkbox"/> 8-oz.	Hand Soap	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Marcel Curling Iron (Stove Heated, Non-Electric)
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Protective Cotton Strips	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	Hair Clamps or Yo Yettes
<input type="checkbox"/> 6	Cotton Balls	<input type="checkbox"/> 3	Brushes
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-pack	Q-tips	<input type="checkbox"/> 9	Combs
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-pack	Sanex Strips	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-ea.	Scissor and Razor
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Talcum Powder for Hot Wax Arch	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Shampoo Cape (full length and waterproof)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Water Soluble Wax for Hot Wax Arch	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Cloth Drape (full length)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Tweezers	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Comb Out Cape
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-oz.	Cleansing Cream	<input type="checkbox"/> -	First-Aid Supplies for Cuts and Burns
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-oz.	Massage Cream	<input type="checkbox"/> 2-oz.	Antiseptic Solution
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-oz.	Abrasive Cleansing Scrub	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-pack	Bobby Pins (optional)
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-pack	Cleansing Tissue	<input type="checkbox"/> 100	Clippies
<input type="checkbox"/> 4-oz.	Astringent and/or Witch Hazel	<input type="checkbox"/> 12	Rollers
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Spatulas	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Manicure Bowl
<input type="checkbox"/> 2-oz.	Powder, and Liquid Foundation	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Manicure Brush
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Rouge	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Metal Nail File
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Lipstick	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Emery Boards
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Eye Shadow and Eye Liner	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Metal Cuticle Pusher
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Tube Mascara and Brush	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-ea	Cuticle Nipper and Scissors
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Eyebrow Pencils (brown and black)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Orangewood Stick
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Pencil Type Makeup Sharpener	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Cuticle Oil
<input type="checkbox"/> -	Artificial Eyelashes (individual and strip type)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Cuticle Solvent
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Appropriate Drape for Facial, Makeup, and Eyebrow Arching	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Nail Polish Remover
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	Safety Pins (medium or large)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Liquid Nail Polish (medium color)
<input type="checkbox"/> 6-ea.	Cold Wave Rods (small, medium, and large diameter sizes)	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Hand Lotion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-pkg	End Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Pedicure Tubs
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Applicator Bottles for Permanent Waving	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Shampoo
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Tint Comb	<input type="checkbox"/> 1-oz.	Creme Rinse or Conditioner
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Tint Application Bottle or Other Measuring Device	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Vented Brush
<input type="checkbox"/> -	Assorted Equipment for Tints and Bleaches	<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Round Brush
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	Glass or Plastic Bowls	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sufficient Material to Apply an Acrylic Nail, Nail Wrap, and Nail Tip - Only Odor Free or Odorless Acrylic Formulas Will be Allowed. (The label on the acrylic formula must state that the product is odor free or odorless.)
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-pr	Protective Gloves		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Receptacle for Soiled Linen and Equipment		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Waste Receptacle (plastic or paper bag)		
<input type="checkbox"/> 16	Towels		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Electric Hand Dryer		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	Electric Curling Iron		

IMPORTANT NOTE:

You must demonstrate the use of the metal pusher and nippers on your model during the practical examination